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Sent on behalf of Deryck Trehearne, DG GOC

Colleagues,

New information in bold as of 17:00 EST, 21 Feb. Please ensure proper distribution of the KPs to officials with need-to-know.

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- There continues to be a small demonstration at the corner of Sir John A MacDonald Parkway and Booth which is outside of the Secured Area.
- OPS is starting to remove some of the more than 100 checkpoints in the city as cleanup efforts continue. All checkpoints surrounding the ByWard Market have been removed. [Link](#)
- OPS said it is expected that many of the shops along Bank Street, as well as the Rideau Centre, will open as soon as 22 Feb. [Link](#)
- Open sources reported that dozens of convoy supporters are regrouping in Embrun, Arnprior and Vankleek Hill. [Link](#).
- The House of Commons is sitting on 21 Feb and debating on the use of the *Emergencies Act*. Vote is scheduled at 20:00 EST on 21 Feb. [Link](#)
- Impacts to CI, with live data from the City of Ottawa. [Convoy webmap](#).

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IMPACTED AREAS: (Details on Demonstrations in affected cities/regions)

Ottawa, ON:

- There continues to be a small demonstration (20-30 people) at the corner of Sir John A MacDonald Parkway and Booth which is outside of the Secured Area.
- OPS is starting to remove some of the more than 100 checkpoints in the city as cleanup efforts continue. All checkpoints surrounding the ByWard Market have been removed. [Link](#)
- OPS say businesses that closed during the protest, which began on 28 Jan, should now feel safe to reopen. It's expected many of the shops along Bank Street, as well as the CF Rideau Centre, will open as soon as 22 Feb. [Link](#)
- The House of Commons is sitting on 21 Feb and debating on the use of the *Emergencies Act*. **Vote is scheduled at 20:00 EST on 21 Feb.** [Link](#)
- **The current status of the interprovincial bridges is as follows:**
 - MacDonald Cartier Bridge is open
 - Alexandra Bridge is open
 - Portage Bridge is closed southbound (except for essential workers with ID). Northbound is open but all corridors leading to it are closed
 - Chaudière Bridge open
 - Champlain Bridge is open
- NOTAM is in effect for airspace restrictions over Parliament Hill until 28 Feb.

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- **The NOTAM restricting airspace over the Northgate Border Crossing has been issued again up to 16:30 EST 25 Feb. No impacts to CI reported at this time.**

WHOLE OF GOVERNMENT RESPONSE:

Ideologically Motivated Violent Extremism (IMVE):

- **As per ITAC:**
 - Individuals seeking to participate in a legitimate protest are distinct from actors espousing violent extremism.
 - The most likely IMVE-related scenario involves an individual or small group using readily available weapons and resources such as knives, firearms, homemade explosives and vehicles in public areas against soft targets, including opposition groups or members of the general public.
 - The increase in violent online rhetoric targeting uniformed personnel is likely not indicative of increased intent by IMVE actors to conduct planned, directed attacks against members of law enforcement. Uniformed personnel are more likely to be targeted because of their accessibility in the course of their duties. The terrorism threat to uniformed personnel remains MEDIUM.
 - IMVE adherents may feel empowered by the level of disorder resulting from the

protests. This could lead to individuals vulnerable to extremist messaging to commit isolated acts of violence.

International:

- NSTR

Maritime/CCG:

- NSTR

Foreign Interference:

- RRM Canada has not observed any significant indicators of foreign state-sponsored interference as it relates to the "Truckers Convoy".
- Prominent discussions online remain focused on issues surrounding the emergency measures act and the actions taken by authorities. A significant portion of this discussion continues to come from domestic and transnational communities, including those sympathising with protesters, conspiracy-minded groups, and ideologically motivated networks.
- US-based influencers, alternative media and political actors have been active in this discussion and continue to drive engagement online.
- Given the transnational nature of this discussion, international networks and state-aligned media (e.g. those aligned with the s.38) are still active in their engagement with the discussions surrounding the "Trucker's Convoy," but are still operating at low levels compared with overall activity.

Financing:

- FINTRAC is working closely with businesses and its Anti-Money Laundering and Anti-Terrorist Financing Regime partners to implement the [Emergency Economic Measures Order](#). This includes facilitating the registration with FINTRAC of crowdfunding platforms and payment service providers if they are in possession or control of property that is owned, held, or controlled by, or on behalf of, an individual or entity that is engaged, directly or indirectly, in an activity which is prohibited under the [Emergency Measures Regulations](#).

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- No concerns at this time.

OVERALL ASSESSMENT: (Derived from information available on open sources)

- Police have regained control of the downtown area. Streets are calm and police presence is high to ensure that the ground gained back is not lost.
- Government employees who are required to access the Secured Area in Ottawa may be required to show valid Government issued work identification.

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